# ANNEX 25- Consent- Promoter Survey Visit 2- English

**Innovations for Poverty Action, Kenya**

Consent form for Promoter Survey

Study Title: WASH Benefits - Handwashing, Water Treatment, Sanitation, and Nutrition Interventions and Outcome Measures in Rural Kenya (also known as the Child Health Project)

Principal Investigator: Clair Null

Organization: Innovations for Poverty Action, Kenya

**Purpose of the Research, Why you are being invited, and what is expected if you participate**

Hello. How are you? I am (name) from Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA), a research based organization, in Kisumu with offices in Kakamega/Bunguma.

We are interested in conducting research on children’s health to better understand how environmental factors might affect child growth and health. We have previously selected your village for enrollment in the research study. You are being asked to participate in this survey today because you were selected by members of your community to be a promoter. We hope you will agree to participate in this survey upon learning more details of participation.

Today, we are collecting information about demographic characteristics and your perceptions about different topics such as your role in the community. If you decide to participate in this activity, I will speak to you today to collect some information, do some observations and take some measurements. Participation in this activity will take about 1 hour. Our staff will collect some information about your household and your environment.

**Risks and Benefits**

There are minimal risks involved in this activity. Some aspects of the data collection activities might be uncomfortable or embarrassing for you to discuss. There is a slight risk of loss of confidentiality.

You will not benefit directly in this study. However, in the long term, the results of this study could benefit other children in Kenya and elsewhere by helping us understand how to improve child health.

**Rights of Participants, Confidentiality**

Your participation is voluntary and you do not have to participate. You do not need to talk to me if you do not want to. And if there is any question you do not want to answer, that will be fine. You can withdraw from the activity at any time, even in the middle of an interview.

If you do want to talk with me and participate in this activity, I will keep everything that you tell me entirely private and confidential, and will not talk to other people about what you have said. I will also keep you and your family’s names confidential, and not tell anyone that you have talked to me. Your answers will in no way affect what IPA may provide to your community or your family. If you have any problems, or if you feel uncomfortable answering any question, you should feel free to stop talking with me at any time. If you have any questions or comments about this study you can also speak with people in the IPA office in Kakamega/Bungoma Town. I will give you the phone number for IPA. If you “flash”[[1]](#footnote-1) them they will call you back.

**If you have additional questions about your rights as a research subject, you can contact KEMRI Ethics Review Committee on 0722-205901 or 0733-400003**

**Compensation**

You need not pay us to take part in this study, and similarly we will not pay you money for participating in this study.

**Person to Contact**

If you have any question, you can ask me any time.

If you have any questions or comments about this study you can also speak with people in the IPA office in Kakamega/Bungoma Town (**0728716661**). If you “flash”1 them, they will call you back.

If you agree to participate, please say so now, and indicate that by putting your signature or your left thumb impression at the specified space below.

Consent to enroll into the study: YES\_\_\_\_\_\_ NO\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature or left thumb impression of Participant Date

1. “Flashing” is a common practice in Kenya when the caller does not want to bear the cost of the call – by dialing and letting the phone ring only once so that the number registers on the recipient’s line. IPA can then return the call without costing the subject anything. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)